



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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At its meeting held March 30, 2004, the Board took the following action:

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The following statement was entered into the record for Supervisor Knabe:

“The importance of fire and life safety in building structures is paramount not only in the eyes of the citizens of the County of Los Angeles, but also in the eyes of the agencies who serve them. While the community at large has only intermittent opportunities to become involved with projects that affect their health and well being, code enforcement agencies must work with multiple aspects of public safety on a daily basis.

“The coordination between the public and the agencies who serve them can be improved through the implementation of awareness programs and activities that bring to light some of the everyday tasks and safety requirements in nationally recognized standards. From something as simple as changing the batteries in smoke detectors, to something as complicated as designing a highrise apartment building, learning about and participating in building safety can be an exciting and rewarding experience. Through the distribution of information in areas such as building codes, permits, and disaster preparedness, residents of the County of Los Angeles can read and understand more about how and why building safety is so important in day-to-day activities. In addition, it is important to educate our children on the importance of building safety so that they may grow to understand and embrace building safety principles and pass them on for generations to come.”

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Therefore, at the suggestion of Supervisor Knabe and on motion of Supervisor Burke, seconded by Supervisor Yaroslavsky, unanimously carried (Supervisor Knabe being absent), the Board proclaimed April 4, through April 10, 2004, as "Building Safety Week" throughout Los Angeles County; and joined the Department of Public Works' Division of Building and Safety in promoting the educational and enjoyable outreach to employees and citizens encouraging safer building practices.

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- Chief Administrative Officer
- County Counsel
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